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Dear Lu:

Miss Carol Greenspan has applied for an assistantship here. I do not know whether we will have room or not, but would like your advice if you have had a sufficient opportunity to watch her progress in your class. I met her briefly, and she seemed rather immature and indecisive, as many girls might be at her age; on the other hand, she has had some rather good recommendations elsewhere.

I'm sorry you were so ill when we visited in ~~February~~ January. Perhaps we'll have a chance to get together again next month.

In a routine survey of stocks here, it was noticed that all strains and derivatives of E. coli B, including yours, are maltose-negative, with the exception of one that Tom Nelson has, direct from Caltech and presumably their standard B. I hope that "B" means more or less a single, unique strain? Do you happen to know, in any detail, the genealogy of Hershey's "S"?

Yours,

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